# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



#### FISCAL NOTE

### HB 2286 - SB 2295

March 30, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Defines "exploitation" as the improper use by a caretaker of funds that have been paid by a governmental agency to an adult or to the caretaker for the use or care of the adult and includes a determination of committing the exploitation of a vulnerable individual as a reason for inclusion in the Vulnerable Persons Registry. Broadens the definition of vulnerable person and grants agencies that have reported persons for inclusion on the registry the authority to convene an advisory group to recommend the removal of an individual from the registry.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

A more precise cost estimate is not possible because the Department of Health has not provided any information to assist in the preparation of this fiscal note.

## Assumptions:

- The Department of Health will not incur a significant increase in expenditures to make modifications to the Vulnerable Person Registry.
- Any advisory groups convened for the purposes of reviewing an individual's inclusion in the registry will not result in a significant increase in expenditures to the agency or department that convened the group.
- Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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